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Hi Janice, I have been fighting half a dozen bacterial infections on my forearms from the Hickman flies. I already had noticed them when we last talked, but did not think much about them. At that time they were small and like all insect bites they would go away quickly, these did not. Went to urgent care thinking they might be a fungal infection and I was using Lotrimin to get rid of them. The Dr. told me that they were not fungus, but bacterial from insect bites. She told me to use an antibacterial creme on them and yes they were probably from the Hickman fly. That was three weeks ago and I am still fighting with the infections. They appear like rashy swells. Hickmans gave these to me because they can not control their flies and that is another reason why I can not even go out of my house to do my chores. This is simply not right! They use antibiotics on their chickens to try to keep them healthy due to their crowded living conditions. What if next time I am inflicted with MRSA! You can not deny that just the flies alone they produce are a health risk to our community. And one of the reasons I am writing to you this morning is because a friend came by this morning and saw my sores and said that they look just like the ones her horses have from the fly bites. I find this unacceptable! Even though these sores seem to appear to be healing the itching comes and goes. There is a neighbor that has these on his arms and back. These Hickman flies are full of bacteria from dining on carcasses and fresh feces and if Hickman just looks away claiming that it is all good because he has the right to farm. Then where are my rights to have the right to enjoy my property as I used to before they planted their dirty ass across the street? Raul.